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We went together to where we could drink coffee and share Woodhous. He had his arm in bandages, but was a happy as ever. "I was a man. His wound, I found, was received in a 'little duck up near Blancheville a few days back. 'This wound,' he said, 'saved my life. I was just going off me blowing and I was. Toothache; couldn't sleep for it. I'd had it three days and nights when we was told off to clear out a little wood the Germans had collected. Wasn't I glad I got me that chump I was, and just busting to stick me beyond into somebody. We cleared the Germans out, but as they was running one beggar turned round and shot me in the arm. I didn't feel the tooth afterwards; shock, I suppose. So then I got sent down 'ere with some Frenchies, and what the doctor comes to dress me wound, 'Nervous mind me arm,' I says 'pull out this blooming tooth! He laughed, and done it straight. 'This wound,' I told this incident afterwards to some Red Cross friends of mine. 'It's quite true,' they said, 'that any number of the fellows in the trenches are suffering from toothache. They get their feet wet or cold, and that starts it. Of course, the surgeons are too busy with other things to attend much to these fellows; anyway, they can only pull out the tooth, which isn't much good. What we want is a little corps of qualified dentists to visit regiments on stated days. There is certain to be a large amount of toothache during the winter; why not suggest in the Daily News that the Institute of Dentists or some similar body should send out a party of qualified men? It would be most useful.' So I suggest it.

The London correspondent of the Manchester Guardian says:—

For the first time there is a properly organized corps of dental surgeons at the front. There are now about a dozen dentists in France working in the field and in hospitals, who have been given the temporary rank of Lieutenant in the Army Medical Corps. More will follow. Medical men who have been visiting the hospitals at home say that the condition of the soldiers' teeth is dreadful. Letters from the front tell the same story. "Any number of our fellows in the trenches," a soldier writes, "are suffering from toothache. They get their feet wet or cold, and that starts it. Soldiers are constantly coming home suffering solely from troubles resulting from bad teeth. Since the recent relaxations of the recruiting conditions men are joining the army whose teeth are thoroughly decayed and it is quite impossible to start an efficient dental service at the training camps as it is to attend to the teeth at the war. A scheme for this purpose has been suggested by the British Dental Association. A proposal to form a military dental service was debated after the South Africa War when hundreds of men were sent home with bad teeth, but nothing came of it. I believe that the only time when an authorized dentist accompanied a British expeditionary force was in the Somaliland campaign. In this matter the Dominions seem to be ahead of us. Four dentists came over with the Canadian contingent and two with the New Zealanders. It is expected that after this war our Army Medical Service will have a permanent staff of dentists, who will prevent while there is time the wretched state of things disclosed in the hospitals for the wounded.

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POPE'S PEACE PRAYER.

Impressive Scene in St. Peter's.

Despite a downpour of rain, at three o'clock on the afternoon of February 7 all the bells of the 409 churches of Rome rang out calling the faithful to the universal expiatory service to implore the cessation of war, and peace among the nations the world over. Sixty thousand people gathered at St. Peter's. The immense basilica appeared more imposing than on other occasions, having no special decoration except numerous candles with flickering flames on the Papal altar standing under the colossal dome where the Pope alone reads Mass.

Before the altar stood a great baldstool, approached by five steps, where the Pope prayed. Special places were reserved for the sacred college, patriarchs, archbishops, bishops, and diplomatists, although the latter were not individually invited, the Roman aristocracy, the Papal Court, and all religious institutions, male and female, the diversity of costumes and uniforms making most striking effects.

The Pope entered St. Peter's at 3.40, followed by twenty-two Cardinals. His Holiness was received in the Chapel of the Sacrament by Cardinal Merry del Val, Archbishop of the Basilica, who accompanied him to the Papal altar, while the kneeling crowd, carried away by emotion, cry "Long live the Pope!"

The climax was reached when the white-dressed figure of the Pontiff, standing high above the richly gilded spiral columns of Bernini's canopy, intoned the prayers for peace, which, repeated by the multitude, echoed throughout the domes of Michael Angelo's great temple. "God of all mercies, King of Peace," said the solemn voice of the Vicar of Christ, while the responsive voices of the vast crowd repeated his invocation, assuming the character of thunder rising to Heaven.

When the Pope imparted the Benediction waves of ecstatic fervor and compassion for the sufferings of the combatants seemed to pass over the kneeling throng, most of whom beat their breasts in an ecstasy of prayer.

The departure of the Pontiff was the occasion of an outburst of enthusiasm which even the efforts of the Pope were powerless to restrain, the people crying "Long live the Pope!" and "God give us peace."

FORTIFYING LILLE.

Day and Night Work by the Germans.

The following information concerning life in Lille under the German occupation has been furnished by an escaped Belgian prisoner.

"The chief occupation of the Germans is the completion of their defenses (the city). They are constructing reinforced concrete trenches from the Dunkirk gate to the Artois gate and round the citadel. The work is going on day and night.

"The city is continually panned through the air. They are lodged in barracks which have been rebuilt by the Germans. All the kitchens and the sanitary arrangements have been rebuilt in accordance with German ideas.

"All the civilians in the city are forced to register themselves at the town hall. In the suburbs, at Mons-en-Baroeul, notably, the Germans requisitioned the inhabitants to turn the bodies of their soldiers.

"M. Delevalle, the Mayor of Lille, has behaved like a hero. During the bombardment, when people were running about half-demented, all who met M. Delevalle and asked him where they should go received the same answer: 'Go to my home.' There he sheltered more than a hundred homeless beings

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THE DIARY.

MEMO. FOR TO-MORROW.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Teakwood and Blackwood Furniture, etc., at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

General Memoranda.

FRIDAY, April 2.—Good Friday, Public Holiday. 2.15—Sports "Last Judgment" at St. John's Cathedral in aid of Prince of Wales Fund.

SUNDAY, April 4.—Easter Sunday.

MONDAY, April 5.—Easter Monday. Public Holiday. Yacht and Motor Boat Races in aid of Belgian Relief Fund.

TUESDAY, April 6.—2.30 p.m.—Auction of Furniture of a Self-contained flat at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

3.30 p.m.—Annual General Meeting of the Hongkong Club.

THURSDAY, April 8.—King of Belgium's Birthday (1875). Inspection of Special Police Reserve by H. E. the Governor.

SATURDAY, April 10.—Noon—Green Island Cement Co.'s Meeting.

WEDNESDAY, April 14.—2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture at "Yalta," 63 The Peak.

MONDAY, April 19.—Noon—H.K. Schools' Athletic Sports.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Alexandra Café are advertising their Hot Cross Buns. A special batch will be available for outside stations from 3 p.m. to-morrow, so that delivery on Good Friday can be assured.

Moss of the first Hongkong Volunteer Contingent are now in France, on active service. Pte. Cyril Wilkie, who is among them, has been promoted Corporal in the Middlesex Regiment, which most of the Hongkong men have joined.

Church services have been arranged at St. Peter's Church, West Point, as follows:—Good Friday, 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m. Morning Prayer and sermon; Easter Sunday, 8 a.m. Holy Communion, 11 a.m. Morning Prayer and sermon; 12 noon. Holy Communion.

With reference to the rendering of Spohr's "Last Judgment," which is to be given at St. John's Cathedral on Good Friday at 9.15 p.m., seat-holders are requested to be in their places, if possible, a quarter of an hour before the commencement.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

To prevent mistakes, Mr. and Mrs. Bowley wish to inform their friends that they have moved to No. 7, Mountain View.

Sergt. F. W. Crane, formerly of 83rd Co. R.G.A., Lyceum, and now in the 1st Siege Battery at the front, has been awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal.

The Rev. T. Robinson will take over from the Rev. C. Bone the duties of Wesleyan Chaplain to the troops on April 1st. Mr. and Mrs. Bone and family leave for a holiday at home on April 10.

The death occurred yesterday of Mr. Kwong Kwong Cheung, a prominent Y.M.C.A. worker. Mr. Kwong, who retired from business in favour of his son some years ago, was at one time in America. The esteem in which he was held by the Chinese members of the Y.M.C.A. among whom he laboured was evidenced by the very large attendance at the funeral this afternoon. Most of the members wearing white mourning bands, followed the coffin on foot, and the Y.M.C.A. brass band was also in the procession.

PROSECUTION BY THE POST-MASTER GENERAL.

The Postmaster General (Capt. E. D. C. Wolfe), prosecuting a Chinese agent for the charter of the Fanning for failing to notify the proper time of the vessel's departure, told Mr. Hazeland that the ship was due to leave for Saigon at 5 p.m. on the 24th inst., but did not leave until noon on the 25th. The mails were made up so that the letters could be sent off at the advertised time of departure. Several people should be blamed for this, he said. Defendant, who was liable to a fine of \$200, was ordered to pay \$25.

ALLEGED MANSLAUGHTER AT STANLEY.

Mr. Hazeland, this morning, committed for trial to the next Criminal Session, a Chinese man, the Chinaman's brother and son, who was at Stanley village and charged with the manslaughter of a girl. Mr. Kong Siang for the defence pointed out that the deceased, according to the medical evidence, was not of good physique and suffered from organic trouble. He (the doctor) did not think, however, that he could avoid himself of that. He argued that there was a free fight between the villagers and the fishermen during which many stones were thrown. He also was of opinion that it was a physical impossibility for the man to have been hit on the crown of the head by a stone. Mr. Gardner, for the prosecution, observed that the trouble started over some remarks that the little boy in the dock made to a blind woman. There was a quarrel and the girl called his parents. The deceased apparently took part in the fight and was thrown to the ground. He was alleged, took up a stone and struck the girl. The Magistrate thought there was sufficient evidence to prove a prima facie case and committed the defendant for trial.

ALICE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals beg to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—

Ho Kam Tong	...	\$101
Lo Chung Wai	...	50
Wong Cheung	...	20
Su Chi Im	...	20
Lo Cheung Shiu	...	20
Ng Hon Yee	...	20
Li Kam Chun	...	20
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COMPANY MEETINGS.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

The ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders in the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., was held this morning at the town offices, 2, Queen's Buildings. The Chairman of the Board, Mr. S. H. Dowling, presided, and there were also present: Hon. Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., Hon. Mr. David Landale, Messrs. D. W. Craddock, G. W. Barton, directors; Messrs. J. W. C. Bonas, T. F. Hough, G. C. Moxon, H. Pook, W. Dunbar, W. S. Clarke, J. N. Gray, L. Cheung Shiu, J. H. N. Moly, W. L. Patterson, R. M. Dyer (chief manager) and G. A. Caldwell (secretary).

The Chairman said: The net profit for the year 1914 is \$300,448.80 as compared with \$182,483.15 in 1913 which, considering the dull state of affairs in shipping in the early part of last year and the effect of the war since August, I trust you will consider satisfactory. Given normal conditions, your Directors have every confidence in a continued improvement in the affairs of the Company, but in present circumstances it would be impossible for anyone to forecast prospects. I may say, however, that your Directors are doing all they can to take advantage of the situation existing at home, where there is great congestion in the yards and it is practically impossible to obtain delivery of new steamers within reasonable time and at reasonable prices. At no time last year were our establishments employed at anything like their full capacity. The figures before you are the result of a moderate volume of work without the help of any large salvage operation. As I said when I addressed you last year, I am hopeful that the Panama Canal will be the means of diverting a good deal of docking and repair work to the Colony. The Panama route to the United States is already becoming a most popular one; we have docked several ocean steamers which came through the Canal on their voyage and which formerly used other Eastern ports for docking purposes and had not the time considerably affected the quantity of tonnage available for the dock. I believe the increase in the work this year we have endeavoured to keep on a level satisfactory to our constituents; this is the policy I outlined last year, and is one which you must recognize as the basis of all successful working. What we want is more work in the port, and we can only attract it by a reasonable tariff. With regard to the item of \$40,000 which I explained last year was put aside to cover a claim for duty on the "Canton River," I am pleased to say we were successful, after continued efforts, in recovering the amount, which you will notice appears as a separate item in the 1914 accounts. During the year Mr. Griffin, of Messrs. Leigh and Ormerod, was requested by your Board to make a valuation of the Company's lands, docks and buildings. His report was valued in 1914 and 1915. You will be glad to hear that as a result of this gentleman's estimates, based on the most conservative grounds, our assets appear to be very much in excess of their book value. I am proud to say that the amount of \$1,000,000 which I mentioned last year as a small profit and added one new one. The new plant I mentioned last year is also now installed. At present we have on order three 10-ton electric cranes for No. 1 Dock. These are absolutely necessary to cope with the very large vessels which this dock can now accommodate. The question of increasing the capacity of our electric supply station to meet the requirements of these new additions is being treated with the most careful consideration and exhaustive enquiries as to comparative costs of the production of electric power, both locally and at home, are being made. We are making a contract with the Light and Power Co. for our supplies. This Company is installing a new plant on a scale large enough to meet all our requirements for many years to come. The rate at which they agree to supply the current is a cheap one; it compares favourably with the present cost of making it ourselves and will tend to economy and efficiency in the future. The plant and buildings are all in good order and the cost of maintaining same has been paid out of our earnings. During the year your Directors were again approached by the European staff with regard to the formation of a provident fund similar to that in vogue with many companies in this Colony. We have already formed such a scheme, but under conditions are more strict, we will further consider the question whether such a fund is desirable and, if so, will submit it for your approval in the meantime. Your thanks are due to the staff for their labours in 1914. We trust the dividend we propose to pay will meet with your approval, and in view of present circumstances, I feel sure you will appreciate the desirability of carrying forward a somewhat larger amount to 1915.

Mr. G. C. Moxon, in seconding the motion, said: We have all listened with much interest to the Chairman's speech and I think I may venture the opinion that the Dock Co. may now be considered as on the high road to the prosperity it enjoyed in days of yore. It is evident to me that the profits would have been on a higher scale had it not been for the outbreak of the great war, from the effects of which the company has suffered and is suffering in common with many similar undertakings far removed from the actual theatre of the struggle. It is, however, a relief to hear when Great Britain and her Allies have emerged victorious from the present campaign, which I trust will be the case before many months have passed, that we shall see a great rush of business in the docking line, the more so as it is to be hoped that shipyards will be in

the best of health. The Chairman's speech was well received and the meeting adjourned.

HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO.

The thirty-first ordinary meeting of shareholders in this company was held this morning at the offices of the general manager, Messrs. Shaw, Warren and Co., Ltd., Mr. R. Shaw presided and there were also present Messrs. D. W. Craddock, G. W. Barton, consulting engineers; H. W. Lee Jones, secretary; C. Klink, H. R. O. Hancock, J. A. Young, Tong Lai Chuen, shareholders.

The Chairman said: From the report and accounts for 1914 which have been in your hands for some days you will see that we are able to show a considerable improvement in the business done in the previous year, as we also secured a credit balance of Profit and Loss amounting to \$81,828.06 as against \$33,587.88 for 1913. We propose to pay the usual final dividend of one dollar per share, and to put \$13,000 towards reserve fund, and to pay a balance of \$68,828.06 to be carried forward to this year's account. The hemp market was high when we began the year, but prices slowly declined until the outbreak of hostilities in August when our business was paralyzed and business at a complete standstill for some time. We had good stocks of raw material on hand and were able to keep on until business was resumed when we laid in a fresh stock at what we considered favorable prices. The accounts call for little comment of explanation, but I should say that the working account covered a donation of \$1,000 to the Prince of Wales Fund, a contribution to which I am sure no shareholder will take exception. Sundry creditors' \$30,000.79 has all been paid off and sundry debtors \$111,103.76 is simply the total of the accounts. None of them singly is of very great importance. You will notice that we had no cash in bank at the end of the year, but we had in its place a good stock of hemp at prices which we could not have repeated since. Consequently stocks of rope and hemp were high at \$145,938.00 on 31st December. Since then, however, the greater part of these stocks have been worked up and sold and we have now ample funds in hand to meet the dividend of \$80,000. For this year the prospects of cheap hemp seem almost taken place, so that we are buying on the market at lower prices than we have naturally fallen off with the closing of the port and the reduction in shipping calling here, but on the other hand our sales have been improved and more than offset what we have lost locally. So on the whole in spite of the war we are not dependent about our business of this year. The report and accounts were adopted on the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Craddock.

Messrs. Craddock and Barton and Dr. Nohle were re-elected to the auditing committee on the motion of Mr. Young, seconded by Mr. Klink.

Mr. Young proposed, Mr. Hancock seconded, and it was agreed that Messrs. A. O. Gourdin and F. Meiland act as auditors for the year at a remuneration of \$200 each.

BEST MEDICINE MADE.

A BETTER medicine can not be made than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It relieves the lungs, opens the secretions, aids expectoration and assists nature in restoring the system to a healthy condition. Besides, it contains no opiates and is perfectly safe to take. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

SUPREME COURT.

AN EX PARTA ACTION.

Hon. Mr. H. R. Pollock, K.C. on behalf of the Mippon Bankwa Kabushiki Kaisha, made an application, ex parte, to the Chief Justice this morning, for judgment for a sum of \$11,716.94 against Li Kih Cho Ahn, Li Tin, of 80, Bonham Strand, in respect of contracts relating to cotton yarn.

It was stated that plaintiff were a limited liability company, with a head office at Osaka, trading as cotton yarn merchants and general commission agents. Defendant was sued as a partner in the Wing Cheung firm. A defence denying partnership had been filed, but defendant was not here to substantiate it.

COUNSEL AND THE IRON CROSS.

In the Chinese partnership action, proceeding in the Supreme Court, Mr. Eddon Potter, one of the counsel engaged, had just concluded his cross-examination of a witness when Mr. McNeill, who is opposing him, rose and said his friend's address in this capacity was such that he did not grudge him it, and suggested that he was worthy of the Iron Cross, (laughter). Mr. Potter: If my friend Mr. McNeill will make the presentation I will wear it and bear it (renewed laughter).

genuous mood after the harvest now being reaped in good freight rates, the shareholders owe no little gratitude to the management of the Dock Co. for improvement in the general position which is evidenced by the figures now before us. With these few remarks I have much pleasure in seconding the adoption of the report and accounts.

The motion was carried. Mr. Ho Fook seconded, and it was agreed that the retiring directors, Hon. Mr. Landale and Mr. A. R. Soreman, be re-elected. The appointment of Mr. G. W. Barton to the Board was confirmed, on the motion of Mr. Hough, seconded by Mr. Clarke.

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WAR NEWS.

And Lieutenant J. S. Chalmers, late of the Public Works Department, who received a commission towards the end of the year, is serving in the 13th (Service) Battalion Sherwood Foresters (Pioneers). Lieut. O. Beckett who received his commission at the same time as in the 6th (Service) Battalion Royal Dublin Fusiliers.

Lieut. Colonel F. P. S. Taylor, A.S.C., who two years ago was Officer Commanding, A.S.C., South China, and Lieut. Colonel W. M. Withycombe, the King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry, who commanded the British troops at Hankow during the Chinese Revolution in 1912, have both received services rendered in connection with operations in the field with the Order of St. Michael and St. George.

Amid a hail of German bullets a French cook carried lunch to his captain in the trenches. "Are you mad to risk your life like this?" cried the officer. "But, my captain," replied the cook, "it is his duty. Would you have me wait and serve it cold?"

Sir Marcus Samuel points out that Germany's first act of piracy against a steamer under the Norwegian flag carrying a cargo loaded by Americans and destined to a Dutch port. He says it would surprise him to learn that the cargo was financed and insured in Germany. The only profit derived from the act by the British. To them will be paid the heavy salvage charges, whilst the repairs to the ship must be done in a British yard and by British workmen. There is a consolation from the fact that the torpedoed ship was at short range by the German submarine failed to sink either the Bridgford or the Duncraig, proving how greatly the explosives now used by the Germans have deteriorated in power since the commencement of the war.

Captain Armstrong, Chief Constable of Southampton, and now with the Westcoast at the front, writes:—Saxons are not anxious to continue the war, for they put up a notice on their trench, saying: "We Saxons; you are Anglo Saxons; Keep your bullets for Prussians, who relieve us to-night."

One From Spink.

Here is a refreshing story from a man home from the Falklands. Just in the thick of things on the Cornwall, when he had been badly hit, the gunners in one barbed wire became aware of a stoker's head thrust through a post-hole and a voice calling to them. "I say, give 'em one from me; my name's Spink—sir." So they chalked it on the next shell, which was a bull's eye.

A special constable at home stopped a cat with too bright light and asked, "Name please." A "Lord Fielding." "Address please." A "Oh, some damned ditch in France. I am going back there to-morrow." This has the merit of truth.

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THE PROGRESS OF THE WAR.

FRENCH REVIEW OF THE SITUATION.
AN OPTIMISTIC STATEMENT.
THE SUPPLY OF MUNITIONS.

THE EXCESSIVE DRINKING PROBLEM.

MORE BOMBS ON REHIMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE SUPPLY OF MUNITIONS.

HOW THE PROPOSAL IS RECEIVED.

London, Mar. 30.
The newspapers receive the proposal of total prohibition by the reputation of Ammunition Manufacturers, on the whole, with favour, as they recognise that the public generally endorse the suggestion, and that even a large section of the working class is in favour of the removal of the temptation to drink. The magnitude of the question is evident from the exchequer receipts amounting to £39,748,000 while the annual consumption is estimated at £160,000,000. The chief difficulty, therefore, of the question is the compensation to publicans, who would be deprived of their means of livelihood; but it is significant of the temper of the nation that there is no opposition proposal from the standpoint of principle.

GREECE AND BULGARIA.

STATEMENT BY M. VENIZELOS.

London, Mar. 30.
A telegram from Athens states that M. Venizelos had a triumphal reception on his return from a holiday, notwithstanding the efforts of the police to prevent demonstrations.
M. Venizelos protests against the Government's suggestion that he agreed to the surrender of Kavala to Bulgaria as the price of the latter's neutrality, and declares that no territorial concession had been asked from Greece but the Eastern powers requested Greece not to press Serbia and to refuse concessions territoriality but would Bulgaria be so short-sighted as to aid Greece to double her territory while Bulgaria would only acquire some 30,000 square kilometres. M. Venizelos added that he was convinced that Bulgaria would not dare attack Greece in the event of her moving, while Greece, by contributing only one division and giving the aid of her fleet, would win the friendship of three great Powers.

ON THE WESTERN FRONT.

MORE BOMBS INTO REHIMS.

London, Mar. 30, 4.20 p.m.
A Paris communique states:—There has been calm over the whole front.
A German aeroplane dropped bombs at Rheims, wounding two persons. A bomb fell on the apex of the cathedral.

GERMANS MAKE A HASTY EXIT.

Our artillery compelled the Germans to evacuate, in disorder, from the village of Houdicourt to the north-east of Saint Mihiel.

CASUALTIES.

London, Mar. 30, 11.25 p.m.
Previously announced as missing, now reported as killed.—E. C. Wodehouse and C. Higginbotham.
Wounded.—E. Conran, C. Ellis, E. Gore-Brown (London Regiment), A. M. Gonn, H. M. Mansfield, S. Tabor, and P. Townshend.
Died of wounds.—H. G. Brookbank.

THE "FALABA" ATROCITY.

SEVERE AMERICAN COMMENT.

London, Mar. 30, 3.5 p.m.
Reuter's New York correspondent telegraphs that the American newspapers are commenting in most severe terms on the sinking of the "Falaba."

The New York Herald heads its article "Kultur at its Meridian" and says that there will be great joy in the halls of Kultur because over a hundred non-combatants, including women, have been ruthlessly murdered on the high seas.

The World says that this is "not war, but murder," which should arouse the pity of the neutral world for the helpless victims and abhorrence for the men who order the murder. Germany began the war v. the gigantic blunder of the invasion of Belgium and was continuing the policy that had actuated that mistake.

FRENCH OFFICIAL REPORTS.

REVIEW OF THE SITUATION.

London, Mar. 30.
Reuter's Agency has been publishing during the past week a series of French official reports on the war to the end of January 10. The concluding instalment of the series sums up the position as viewed by the French General Staff. It affirms that the fundamental plan of the German General Staff to crush France by an overwhelming attack, reducing her to helplessness in less than a month, had failed completely; and besides the failure of the general plan, Germany sustained seven defeats of high significance—the defeat before Nancy and Paris, the outflanking attempts in August and November, the attempt to break the Centre in September, the coast attack on Calais and, finally, at Ypres. Thus the German Army, powerful and courageous as it may be, succeeded in gaining an advantage at no single point. Its forced halt after six months of war condemns it to retreat, the pace which may be accelerated by the Russian successes, but the necessity of which is a foregone conclusion. On the other hand, France has gained a victory on the Marne, confirmed by a victory in Flanders, and has established an impassable barrier against the most formidable effort ever attempted in the military history of the world.

BY TELEGRAPH.

France will make effort in her own time and when all the necessary means are assembled. The Germans gave an example of the price of an offensive when insufficiently prepared.

Every day France is strengthening herself, and it is also known that the British Army has been heavily reinforced and that the number of troops in training in England is very large.

The Belgian and Serbian Armies are re-empowering. Finally, Russia continues to draw on her immense reservoir of recruits, having used so far only five per cent. Hence the French command would not be hurried but awaits a favourable hour. France was superior to Germany because the wastage of the German Army in all respects was greater. The principal cause of the superiority was in our artillery, while the German infantry had lost heavily in massed formation. It was now certain that the German losses would be double those of ours. Germany, in future, owing to Austrian defeats would be obliged over to strengthen her forces against Russia, and the number of Germans opposed to France would, therefore, continually decrease. Moreover, the wastage of German officers, men material and morale increases while the French position in these respects continuously improves. Our reinforcements are now being trained with a view to a victorious offensive. Shores, munitions and food transport are daily increased. Important reserves of telegraphic, railway and shipping material, in view of that offensive, are now being massed by a Military Commission of British, French and Belgians, who have been appointed to work the Belgian, Luxembourg and Alsace Lorraine railways. Against all this Germany can offer nothing equivalent. Her large resources of men, officers, material and munitions have been largely expended in the hope of crushing her opponents, under the effort of mass and surprise. They are to-day scarcely sufficient to offer a defensive resistance. Every further development will result in the diminution of the general value of the German Armies, whereas France, taken by surprise last August, by a premeditated act of aggression will begin the war in very truth with the entirety of her forces.

THREE AUSTRIAN BATTALIONS ANNIHILATED.

(Havas Service.)

PARIS, March 29.

French stock now stands at 72.60.
Yesterday we strengthened the positions conquered at Hartmannswillerkopf, where we took 397 prisoners. To-day at Epargues we acquired new gains adding other trenches to those previously taken on the 27th inst. and repulsing a violent counter attack delivered by the Germans.

Petrograd—The Black Sea Fleet, and also airmen-bombarded forts situated at the Straits and also the Bosphorus batteries. The enemy's torpedo boats are inactive in the interior of the Straits.

Immense enthusiasm prevails in Russia.
Petrograd has received its first telegram from Przemyel, stating that the town is intact and normal conditions have been resumed.

In the Carpathians, in the course of furious storming a new line of heights has been carried and fully three Austrian battalions annihilated.

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THE JAPANESE DEMANDS OF CHINA.

OPINION IN JAPAN.

Under the heading "A warning to China" the "Tokyo Asahi" holds its opinion that the Imperial Army and Navy are just at the moment when the Chinese Government, not being able to get a clear grasp of the permanent peace of the Far East, is obstinately resisting Japan's demands. The troops are to be sent to China in aid of the Italian time when those in North China, Manchuria, Tangshan and in Korea are relieved and the result will be the doubling of the Imperial forces in those places. The Navy too is said to have ordered out for the first and second squadrons to be on a campaign for a certain new purpose instead of engaging in maneuvers as previously planned. The journal cannot believe that these steps have been taken by mere accident at the time when the negotiations at Peking present a gloomy prospect. Should China remain obstinate there is no telling but that Japan may be obliged to resort to an armed demonstration. China seems to contend that some of Japan's demands infringe her integrity, which is not true; but demands to follow an appeal to arms may in all probability interfere with her sovereignty. That is the point that China should well take into consideration, and the "Asahi" hopes that the Peking authorities will bring the negotiations to a peaceful termination.

WANTED WORD LIGHT.

The "Nichi Nichi" and the "Osaka Mainichi" are surprised at the suddenness of the intended strengthening of the Imperial garrisons in China and Korea. Chino-Japanese relations were for more strained, they say, while the siege of Tientsin was in progress than at present, and they fail to see good reasons for the present measure. Indisputable indications, if there are any, that China would have recourse to violent measures, may justify the Government's action. Otherwise the Okuma Ministry will yet have to face the charge of trifling with the Army and Navy. However, they feel assured that the Government has had all their points well weighed and has found the course to be taken indispensable, and consequently China's attitude must be responsible for it, to that the journals warn the Peking Government to yield to the great plan of friendship, lest it may have to regret its policy too late.

THE NEED FOR WAR.

The "Kokumin" thinks it proper to regard the sending of troops to China and putting the men-of-war on a special duty as wholly independent of the negotiations at Peking, which, in its opinion, require no demonstration of force. Japan's demands are just and reasonable and diplomacy is quite sufficient to persuade China to accept them. The situation alters, however, if China breaks her good faith, loses her self-control, or breaks trouble by introducing a third party. Then Japan may act to meet the requirements of the case. For the present, the journal believes, the troops are sent as part of the usual practice to replace the old ones, while the men-of-war must be in commission ready for emergencies as long as Germany is at war.

CHINA INCONCEIVABLE.

The "Osaka Asahi" holds that Japan has said all her say and Japan's China

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON PRICES.

London, Mar. 30, 7 p.m.
Copper 60 (Gartshore) 83/6.
Lime 47/0, buyers 53/6 value.
Guzarat 53/3; Teosaporo (ungated).
Rosale 60/3 buyers; Hemp 88/1; Tin 175; Iron 67/4; Wheat, stock 11,400,000; Linseed oil 30/0 paid; Shellac neglected; Rice 1,021 deliveries 54/8; Jute 608, deliveries 86/3; Tea, very steady, common slightly easier; Copra 26/1. Cocoa, prices 50, 55, 64, 65, 80, 88, 90 and 96.

(With Tse Yat Po's Service.)

CHINA AND JAPAN.

American Ministers' Visit.

PEKING, Mar. 30.
The United States Minister has repeatedly called upon President Yuan Shih Kai in connection with matters concerning the Japanese demands.

TOBACCO MONOPOLY PROPOSED.

The Minister of Finance has submitted to the Government a proposal for a Government tobacco monopoly, to be formed out, and he and other Ministers have met and discussed the proposal.

AN INEFFICIENT OFFICER.

A presidential mandate has been issued, dismissing from office Garrison Commissioner Ng Chung-ying, for failing to maintain military discipline in his command at Kiangsu. Luk Hing-to has been appointed Garrison Commissioner of Eastern Kiangsu.

THE NEED OF REPRISALS.

In dealing with the German outrages, I pointed out last week that reparation in kind is the only currency that passes muster with brutes, says a writer in "Fairplay." In Russia, I am glad to say, a similar doctrine is being preached. In an article, which has met with wide approval, the "Novoye Vremya" urges, with regard to Zeppelin raids, that "Legal reprisals are the only means in our hands when fighting against German savagery." The writer says, "when they know that their officers run the risk of dying shameful deaths as criminals, the heads of the German and Austrian armies will send them against peaceful inhabitants of undefended towns." This is not a case for a "Cat and mouse" game. I can quite figure this infernal outcry that would argue, even among those who, in ordinary business life, are by no means the victims of slushy sentimentalism, when the first German paid the penalty of piracy. I can hear an almost universal appeal to our "sportsmen," "I quite agree; we have to play the game, whether it be on the cricket or battlefield. But among us with our perhaps rather high falutin' notions of sport the man who even accidentally fouls, loses. In warfare the Germans have shown us that with them the reverse holds good. The only way to bring their error home to them is not through their skulls but their skins. I note that those rescued from the Blocher are being freed, as heroes and that her captain is among the survivors. Consider this: the Blocher was one of the ships which raided the East Coast pleasure resorts it seems to me that we are allowing our sporting spirit to run mad.

the future in China diplomacy. A successor to the present Ministry when the latter falls on that account, would present far greater demands on China. Which would China rather do, settle the negotiations now or delay the settlement and meet for greater demands?

AN EXTREME CORDIALITY WITH CHINA.
The "Chuo" (Seiyukai organ) criticizes the Government for trying various schemes whereby to impress the nation with the importance of increasing the army. The Ministry after dissolving the Diet advocated a European expedition. The Government paid orators who for a while were crazy day and night propounding the need of sending an expedition to Europe. But when they found out that the people would not take to that proposition, they soon faded away. Yet the Premier, Count Okuma, and Minister of Justice, Mr. Ozaki, say that they have not abandoned the scheme, and one should remember that the present Ministry is still holding on to the idea of sending an expedition to Europe. Again, when the army is sending new divisions to replace those in North China, Manchuria and Korea, as the present is the season for the transfer, the Government organs made it appear that it had some connexion with the Sino-Japanese negotiations. Yet on the other hand, the Government said that the negotiations were going on smoothly. It is proper to consider the sending of the new divisions as a matter of merely replacing the troops in those countries. To be sure, if at any time China should insult Japan necessary steps should be taken, and the "Chuo" would not be behind others in advocating drastic steps to be taken by the Government. But the journal understands that the Government is only trying to perfect an entente cordiale with China, and should have no intention to use force to press the matter on to China. Moreover, the replacing of troops and an expedition to Europe are two different affairs. The Government authorities should know the difference very clearly.

SPORTING

HOME FOOTBALL RESULTS.

F.A. Cup—Third Round.

Manchester City... 0 Chelsea... 1
*Bradford City... 1 Norwich City... 1
*Southampton... 2 Hull City... 2
Sheffield Wed... 1 Newcastle United... 3
Birmingham... 3 Oldham Athletic... 3
*Bolton Wanderers... 2 Burnley... 1
*Sheffield United... 1 Bradford... 0
Queen's Park R... 1 Everton... 2
* After extra time.

The League—DIVISION I.

Sunderland... 3 Blackburn Rovers... 1
Tottenham H... 2 Notts County... 0
West Bromwich A... 0 Manchester Utd... 0

The League—DIVISION II.

Blackpool... 0 The Arsenal... 2
Rristol City... 0 Wolverhampton W... 1
Bury... 5 Glossop... 0
Derby County... 0 Clapton Orient... 3
Grimsby Town... 6 Stockport County... 1
Huddersfield... 3 Fulham... 2
Lincoln City... 0 Leeds City... 1
Notts Forest... 1 Leicester Fosse... 2
Preston N. End... 6 Barnsley... 2

SOUTH-EAST LEAGUE.

Gillingham... 1 Southend United... 0
Brighton & Hove... 1 Swindon Town... 3
Salford City... 3 Portsmouth... 2
Exeter City... 1 Luton Town... 1
West Ham United... 1 Millwall Ath... 0
Plymouth A... 3 Bristol Rovers... 0
Watford... 3 Croydon Common... 0
Northampton... 3 Reading... 1

Home Amateur Billiards Championship.

When the final heat in the most important event in the amateur world of billiards was resumed at Ormeau Hall, Belfast, on Saturday afternoon, (Feb. 20) the scores stood at 1001 to 928 in favour of A. V. T. Good (champion of England), whose opponent is J. Cable (champion of Wales). The latter at his first visit to the table drew level with a closely played 52, but play was very disappointing for the rest of a long session. The leader's only breaks worth noting were 48, 34, 38, 42, 41, and 50; while the 52 already mentioned. 48, 37, and 33 were Good's highest efforts. Interval scores: Cable, 1,500; Cable, 1,431. In the evening the champion of England should have taken a very long lead, indeed at one time he was nearly 200 in front, but towards the close of the session he went hopelessly off his play, and Cable, struggling along in the pluckiest fashion, was the first to reach his point. His highest breaks were 35, 30, 38, 01, and 79, (unbroken), while Good credited himself with 48, 33, 44, 39, 40, 38, and 30. Closing scores:

Cable (in play) ... 2,009
Good ... 1,901

BRITISH NAVAL LOSSES.

Mr. Churchill, in reply to questions asked on February 8 by Mr. Kellaway and Lord Charles Beresford, says the total number of officers and men in the Navy killed, wounded, missing, and interned since the commencement of the war is:

Killed.—348 officers and 5,812 men.
Wounded.—45 officers and 362 men.
Missing.—2 officers and 5 men.
To these may be added the Royal Naval Division:

Killed.—5 officers and 36 men.
Wounded.—4 officers and 154 men.
Missing.—7 officers and 823 men.
Interned.—39 officers and 1,124 men.

To-day's Advertisements

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Hongkong, March 27, 1915. 257

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EASTER HOLIDAYS.

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For the HONGKONG and SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Agents, issuing the Loan.

N. J. STABB, Chief Manager.

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THE HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND of \$3.00 per Share declared at to-day's Annual General Meeting will be payable at the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on and after THURSDAY, 1st APRIL, 1915, and Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants at the Town Office of the Company, 3 Cornhill Street.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

GEO. A. CALDWELL, Secretary.

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LONDON via Suez, Pango, Colon, Port Said & Suez	NAMUR	10 a.m.	Freight and Pass.
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SHANGHAI	MALTA	About 10 a.m.	Freight and Pass.
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via SINGAPORE, MALACCA, PENANG, COLOMBO, SUEZ AND PORT SAID	YASAKA MARU	21,000 tons	THURSDAY, 22nd April, at Noon.
VICTORIA B.C. & SEATTLE	TAMBA MARU	12,500 tons	TUESDAY, 6th April, at Noon.
via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBÉ, YOKOHAMA & YOKOHAMA	YOKOHAMA MARU	12,500 tons	THURSDAY, 15th April, at Noon.
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	MIKEO MARU	9,800 tons	FRIDAY, 9th April, at 4 p.m.
via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNS & BIRKENHEAD	YITACHI MARU	13,500 tons	MONDAY, 17th May, at 11 a.m.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE, MALACCA and COLOMBO	KIRIN MARU	8,000 tons	SATURDAY, 3rd April, at Noon.
via SINGAPORE, MALACCA and COLOMBO	HAKATA MARU	12,500 tons	SATURDAY, 17th April, at Noon.
via SINGAPORE, MALACCA and COLOMBO	HITACHI MARU	13,500 tons	FRIDAY, 16th April, at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA	MIYASAKI MARU	16,000 tons	MONDAY, 5th April, at 10 a.m.
MOJI & KOBÉ	SINSEN MARU	8,000 tons	THURSDAY, 8th April, at Noon.
SHANGHAI, KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA	COLOMBO MARU	8,000 tons	MONDAY, 12th April, at Noon.

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TAMBA MARU	12,500 tons	Tuesday, 6th April.
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WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	KUICHOW	April 2, at Noon.
SHANGHAI	LIANGCHOW	April 3, Daylight.
HAIPHONG	KAITO	April 3, at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI	KANCHOW	April 4, Daylight.
SHANGHAI	LOUCHOW	April 6, at 4 p.m.
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MANILA	YUENSAANG	SATURDAY, April 3, at 3 p.m.
SINGAPORE	HOPSANG	TUESDAY, April 6, at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI	ONSANG	WEDNESDAY, April 7, Daylight.
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